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Amendments to the Claims:

Please amend the claims as shown below. This Listing of Claims will replace prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

- 1. (Currently Amended) A printing system comprising:
- a print control device;

a network interface device for connecting the print control device to a network;

an information processing device that is connected to the print control device

through an interface different from the network interface device;

an input unit for inputting a print instruction for printing configuration information of the network interface device according to a user operation;

an acquisition unit, arranged in the print control device, for acquiring <u>the</u> configuration information of the network interface device from the network interface device <u>when the print instruction is input;</u>

a transmitting unit for transmitting the configuration information acquired by the acquisition unit from the print control device to the information processing device through the interface different from the network interface device; and

a generating unit, arranged in the information processing device, for generating print data representing the configuration information of the network interface device based on the configuration information transmitted from the transmitting unit.

2. (Currently Amended) A printing system according to claim 1, further comprising:

a command transmitting unit for transmitting, from the information processing device to the print control device, a command to acquire the configuration information in

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response to the print instruction a command to print the configuration information of the

network interface device; and

a print data transmitting unit for transmitting the print data generated by the

generating unit from the information processing device to the print control device through

the interface different from the network interface device.

3. (Original) A printing system according to claim 1, wherein the acquisition unit

transmits a signal to the network interface device through a dedicated signal line to

acquire the configuration information of the network interface device.

4. (Original) A printing system according to claim 1, further comprising, in the

network interface unit, a configuration information generator for generating the

configuration information in a predetermined format,

wherein the acquisition unit acquires the configuration information set in the

predetermined format.

5. (Currently Amended) A printing system comprising:

a print control device;

a network interface device for connecting the print control device to a network;

an information processing device that is connected to the network;

an input unit for inputting a print instruction for printing configuration

information of the network interface device according to a user operation;

an acquisition unit, arranged in the information processing device, for acquiring

the configuration information of the network interface device from the network interface

device through the network when the print instruction is input; and

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a generating unit, arranged in the information processing device, for generating print data representing the configuration information of the network interface device based on the configuration information acquired by the acquisition unit.

6. (Currently Amended) A printing system according to claim 5, further comprising:

a command transmitting unit for transmitting, from the information processing device to the network interface device, a command to acquire the configuration information in response to the print instructiona command to print the configuration information of the network interface device;

a first print data transmitting unit for transmitting the print data generated by the generating unit from the information processing device to the network interface device through the network; and

a second print data transmitting unit for transmitting, from the network interface device to the print control device, the print data transmitted from the first print data transmitting unit.

7. (Original) A printing system according to claim 5, further comprising a generator, arranged in the network interface device, for generating the configuration information in a predetermined format,

wherein the acquisition unit acquires the configuration information set in the predetermined format.

8. (Currently Amended) A printing method for printing configuration information of a network interface device that connects a print control device to a network, the printing method comprising:

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an inputting step for inputting a print instruction for printing configuration information of the network interface device according to a user operation;

an acquisition step, performed by the print control device, for acquiring the configuration information of the network interface device from the network interface device when the print instruction is input;

a transmitting step for transmitting the configuration information acquired in the acquisition step from the print control device to an information processing device through an interface different from the network interface device;

a generating step, performed by the information processing device, for generating print data representing the configuration information of the network interface device based on the configuration information transmitted in the transmitting step;

a print data transmitting step for transmitting the print data generated in the generating step from the information processing device to the print control device through the interface different from the network interface device; and

a printing step for printing the print data transmitted in the print data transmitting step.

9. (Currently Amended) A printing method for printing configuration information of a network interface device that connects a print control device to a network, the printing method comprising:

an inputting step for inputting a print instruction for printing configuration information of the network interface device according to a user operation;

an acquisition step, performed by an information processing device, for acquiring the configuration information of the network interface device from the network interface device through the network when the print instruction is input;

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a generating step, performed by the information processing device, for generating print data representing the configuration information of the network interface device based on the configuration information acquired in the acquisition step;

a first print data transmitting step for transmitting the print data generated in the generating step from the information processing device to the network interface device through the network;

a second print data transmitting step for transmitting the print data, transmitted in the first print data transmitting step, from the network interface device to the print control device; and

a printing step for printing the print data transmitted in the second print data transmitting step.

10. (Currently Amended) A <u>computer-readable storage medium storing a</u> computer program for <u>causing a computer printing to print</u> configuration information of a network interface device that connects a print control device to a network, the computer program comprising program codes for performing:

an inputting step for inputting a print instruction for printing the configuration information of the network interface device according to a user operation;

an acquisition step for acquiring, through an interface different from the network interface device, the configuration information of the network interface device from the print control device that has acquired the configuration information when the print instruction is input; and

a generating step for generating print data representing the configuration information of the network interface device based on the configuration information acquired in the acquisition step.

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11. (Currently Amended) A <u>computer-readable storage medium computer</u>

program-according to claim 10, further <u>comprising comprises</u> program code for performing a display step for displaying one of a button and a menu, each commanding a printing of the configuration information of the network interface device when a

connection of the network interface device to the print control device is detected.

12. (Currently Amended) A <u>computer-readable storage medium storing a</u> computer program for <u>causing a computer printing to print</u> configuration information of a network interface device that connects a print control device to a network, the computer program comprising program codes for performing:

an inputting step for inputting a print instruction for printing the configuration information of the network interface device according to a user operation;

an acquisition step, performed by an information processing device, for acquiring the configuration information of the network interface device from the network interface device through the network when the print instruction is input; and

a generating step, performed by the information processing device, for generating print data representing the configuration information of the network interface device based on the configuration information acquired in the acquisition step.

13. (Currently Amended) A <u>computer-readable storage medium computer</u> program according to claim 12, further <u>comprising comprises</u> program code for performing a display step for displaying one of a button and a menu, each commanding a printing of the configuration information of the network interface device when a connection of the network interface device to the print control device is detected.